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Applicants: Daniel J. Becker et al.

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For: ELECTROSURGICAL GENERATOR  
POWER CONTROL CIRCUIT  
AND METHOD

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as set forth  
hereinbelow:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1-9 without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims:

10. (New) A control circuit for providing a constant power output in an  
electrosurgical generator, the generator having a power selection system which supplies a high  
voltage output to create electrosurgical energy at a pair of output electrodes, the control circuit  
comprising:

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